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Texas Highways features

Hotel Settles, Big Spring

By BILL McCLELLAN

The Hotel Settles — and Big

Spring — are getting some

The "Postcard" section of

Texas Highways' August edi-

tion contains a feature on the

Settles with an invitation to

"It's natural to take a his-

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visit other local attractions.

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torical view of Big Spring

when you check in to the

Hotel Settles. The 83-year-

old hotel, which opened in

December after a meticulous

restoration, conjures local

history throughout. From the

lobby's original terrazzo floor

to the 1930s photos in the guest

rooms, the Settles breathes

new life into Big Spring, past

and present. For travelers,

the resurrection of the land-

mark provides comfortable

lodging steeped in local character and a port for exploring

this remote West Texas town,

where a northern outcrop of

the Edwards Plateau meets

the southern High Plains,"

The article tells the history

of the grand hotel's demise

and its resurrection by Big

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writes Matt Joyce.

FREEDOM **P**ARADE

The old, top left, and the new, right, were featured in Saturday's Coahoma Freedom Parade. At left, **Hardin-Simmons University's** famed Six White Horses led the way down First Street, then back to the city park, were activities and a hamburger lunch were planned in the afternoon.

HERALD photos/Steve Reagan

Highland **Parade** winners

Highland South held its annual July 4 parade Thursday, with dozens of youngsters decked out in red, white and blue, and riding everything from fire trucks to electric cars to bicycles. Here are the category win-

ners from that event: **STROLLERS**

1. Brandi Webb

- 2.Krystyn Woods
- 3. Journey Mckinnon

1. Lilah Smith

WAGONS

- 2. Brooklyn Ortega
- 3. Hattie Palmer
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1.Brimley Woods

- 2.Kambree Lawdermilk
- 3. Bella Baker

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- 1. Kyndel Lawdermilk
- 2. Max Piercefield
- 3. Makennen Piercefield

TRICYLCES

- & BIG WHEELS
- 1. Zane Folsom
- 1. Zack Folsom 2. Karson Lawdermilk

BICYCLES (AGES 1-7)

- 1. Sophie Deanda
- 2. Trooper Harrison 3. Jackson Brown

BICYCLES (AGES 8 & UP)

1. Tyler Sawyer Stallings SCOOTERS,

SKATEBOARDS, **ROLLERBLADES**

- 1. Vickie Wallis
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County to consider regs for influx of housing

Staff Writer

By THOMAS JENKINS

Howard County commis-

sioners are to consider revisions to their Flood Damage Prevention Order and proposed subdivision and manufactured home rental community regulations Monday, moving forward with efforts to protect county residents in

the face of the oil boom. Monday's discussion and

potential action comes on the heels of a pair of public hearings on the matters, which the commissioners have taken up in the face of the recent Cline shale formation, which is drawing an incredible amount of growth from the oil and energy industry.

attorney with Austin-based Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP, has served as the court's legal counsel and spokesperson for the pair of proposed changes, fielding questions from local officials and residents, alike. While the public hearings have drawn a considerable

Charles R. Kimbrough, an

county residents, most of it has been misdirected, according to county officials. "I've heard about the proj-

amount of attention from

ect that is coming in, but I don't really know much about it," County Judge Mark Barr said, referring to a proposed See COUNTY, Page 3



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Obituaries

Maria Concepcion Yañez (Concha)



Maria Concepcion Yañez (Concha) was called to join all the Angels and Saints in the Heavens above on July 2, 2013. Concha was born Dec. 8, 1923, in Huejotitan Chihuahua, Mexico, to Severiano and Faustina Yañez .

Concha lived in Big Spring from 1958 to 2000 until she retired and moved to the Juarez/El Paso area. She had many children in Big

Spring under her care throughout the years. She lived with Moses, Evelyn and the Flores family until all the children were grown. She enabled the household to run smoothly by taking care of the children, cooking and housekeeping. She was our mentor, taught us life lessons, and was a very talented person. Not only did she teach us many prayers, she taught us to cook, sew, hand embroidery, crochet and to make quilts. A few of her delicious specialties were tamales, gorditas and empanadas.

In addition to the Flores family, she was employed as a dishwasher for Alberto's for many years.

She was a firm believer in natural herbal remedies. She cured herself with herbal teas and never had to go to the doctor until she was in her 80s.

She was a very spiritual person and dedicated to her Catholic faith. She prayed a daily rosary and prayers from her prayer book.

She is survived by a brother, several nieces and nephews, and her children she raised and cared for including Richard Flores of Big Spring, Mary Ann Leal of Big Spring, Terry Martinez of Fort Worth, Martha E Flores of Los Angeles, Calif., Samantha Flores of Big Spring, Josh Flores of Houston, Natalie Alba of Manor, Michael Leal of Lubbock and Gabriel Leal of Big Spring.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers and sister, her Big Spring family, Moses Flores Sr; Evelyn Flores and Moses

Visitation was to be held from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, July 6, 2013, with a prayer service at 6:30 p.m. at Mr. Carmel Funeral Home in El Paso. Paid obituary

Guadalupe 'Lupe' Cevallos



Our loving mother, Guadalupe "Lupe" Cevallos, 88, left to be with our Lord and "El amor de su vida," Mario on Wednesday, July 3, 2013, in Dallas, Texas. Funeral Mass will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, July 8, 2013, at St. Ann's Catholic Church Chapel with Monsignor Larry Droll officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring, Texas. Rosary

Vigil will be held Sunday, July 7, 2013, at 7 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel.

Our mom will be greatly missed by her daughters, Lupita, Amelia, Enedelia, Josephina and a loving son, Mario Jr. Also missing her will be sons-in-law Tim, Jim, Steve, Eldon and daughter- in-law, Pam; nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

She is also survived by three sisters, one brother, three sisters-in-law, numerous nieces and nephews. May God hold you in His arms — We love you,

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at www. npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Robert Lee Park



Robert Lee Park, 16, of Big Spring, died Thursday, July 4, 2013, in a local hospital due to Duschenne Muscular Dystrophy. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, July 8, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

Robert was born Sept. 16, 1996, in Big Spring, Texas.

Survivors include his parents, Bruce and Josette Park of Big

Spring; one sister, Rosie Park of Big Spring; one brother, Chris Park of Dallas; his grandfather, John Park; and his aunts, uncles, cousins and a host of friends.

The family suggests donations be made to the funeral home to help with expenses.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www. npwelch.com





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Doris Marie Sadler



Doris Marie Sadler, 84, of Stanton died Friday, July 5, 2013, at her residence. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m., Monday, July 8, 2013, at the Evergreen Cemetery Chapel, Stanton. Doris was born Feb.24, 1929, in

Martin County and married Billy Sadler in 1951 in Midland. He preceded her in death June 16, 1979.

Doris and Billy moved to Lubbock soon after marriage and then to the Brownfield area where they owned and oper-

ated a grain elevator. Doris also worked as a bank teller and bookkeeper for several businesses. She was a member of First United Methodist

Church of Stanton. Survivors include a grandson; her brother, Ken-

neth Snodgrass and wife Nelda; a niece and two great nieces, all of Stanton. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Cindy Kelmel, and one

The family suggests memorials be made to Ronald McDonald House, 26345 Network Place, Chicago, IL 60673-1263, or Make-A-Wish America, Gift Processing Center, PO Box 6062, Albert Lea, MN 56007-

brother, Olin Lee Snodgrass Jr.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Take Note

 Coahoma High School will hold an All-School Reunion on Saturday, July 20, at the Elementary School in Coahoma. egistration will begin at 9:30

Lunch can still be reserved for \$10 with one of the officers listed here, or will be available at the door for \$12. The reunion will last until 3:30 p.m. and will include an auction and raffles to raise money for college scholarships to CHS students. Items for the auction will appreciated. A CHS Reunion Social for all classes will be held at Kokapelli's in Big Spring from 6-11 p.m. For further information or to reserve lunch, contact Joyce York Baumann, president, jefnjoyce@yahoo.com or 432-816-1588 or Cindy Parrish Klaus, secretary, cindy.claus@whiting.com or 432-466-1298,

· Howard County Fair Association is seeking volunteers to help with the Howard County Fair which will be held Sept. 26-28. To find out more information or to volunteer, con-

tact Jamey Stegall at 214-717-9210 or jamey.stegall@ gmail.com. The fair association is also accepting applications for exhibitors at the fair. All booths rent for \$100. Contact Stegall for more information.

 Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected.

For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

- Crossroads Hospice is in need of volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone of the hospice team, by bringing light and love into people's lives. For more information on joining, contact Eva Robison at 432-263-5300 or come by 421 S. Main.
- Do you have a minute? An hour? How about making a difference in someone's life? Become a hospice volunteer.

One hour a month can make a difference. Whether it's visiting a patient or working in the office or helping with a craft, you can make a difference. We can work around your schedule. If interested, please call Kara Daniels at Compass Hospice, 432-263-5999, or apply in person at 602 S. Main St.

- Every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. is dance night at the Senior Citizen Center. The cost is \$8 per person.
- Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.
 - Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St.,

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- MANDY CORRINE SALINAS, 35, 902 S. Birdwell, was arrested on a charge of possession of drug para-• STEVEN ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ, 41, 408 W.
- Fifth, was arrested on a charge of criminal tres-TIFFANY ANN ELDER, 31, 2600 Langley, was
- arrested on warrants for no driver's license and failure to appear. • ED DRAY DESHON SMITH, 19, 1002 N. Main No. 62, was arrested on warrants for failure to maintain
- financial responsibility, no driver's license and failure to appear. JASON HARVEY BEDFORD, 28, 2513 Dow, was arrested on warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia and failure to appear.
- JAMES KEVIN MAYHEW, 51, 1714 E. Highway 350, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated/third or more offense and driving while license suspended/invalid with previous convic-
- DAVID RIOS, 27, 905 E. 16th, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct/language.
- JOHNNY LEE RIOS, 28, 710 Creighton, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct/language. THEFT was reported in the 3300 block of Ricka-
- baugh. BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported
- in the 5600 block of South Service Road.
- STOLEN VEHICLE was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.

has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting.

- Home Hospice is seeking volunteers. Volunteers are needed for in office duties as well as sitters, deliveries and crafts. To find out more information or to volunteer contact Manny Negron at Home Hospice by calling 264-7599.
- · The Salvation Army is holding its annual fan drive and is in need of fans. Community members can donate new or used fans. Monetary donations are also welcomed. Donations can be made at the main office, located at 811 W. Fifth St., Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.
- The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop foreclosure and are in need of foreclosure help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. The Homeowner's HOPE hotline is a counseling service provided by HPF to work with you to find a solution to your problem. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a
- The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.
- Legal Aid of Northwest Texas is accepting appointments from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and

third Wednesday of each month. Individuals seeking legal advice for matters concerning family law, divorce, custody and child support issues, social security cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment. Criminal cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served with legal documents should call the office immediately at 800-926-5630 or 432-

 Road to Recovery, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call (877) 277-1618, the High Plains American Cancer Group Report Center.

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Midland ranks No. 2 in nation for average personal income; Abilene also has improved

TRISH CHOATE

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Move out, San Francisco, and take a back seat, New York City, to Midland, Tex-

The booming town ranked No. 2 in the nation in average personal income, rising from No. 20 in 2006 during one of the country's darkest economic periods. Other metropolitan areas of the Lone Star State also have clambered up the

Residents of Abilene, Corpus Christi, San Angelo and Wichita Falls are putting from \$4,158 to \$7,393 more in their pockets annually since 2006. Outranked only by swanky Bridgeport, Conn., Midlanders are take home \$16,958 more than in 2006 and earn an average \$65,173 annually, according to 2011 figures from the Bureau of Economic Analysis.

San Francisco is No. 3, and the New York City area is No. 8 in 2011

Gov. Rick Perry often takes credit for good economic times in

But paychecks are swelling in Midland and other Texas metropolitan areas mostly because of energy production in the shale oil boom and not because of government policies, said Terry Clower, director of the Center for Economic Development and Research at the University of North Texas.

It all comes down to "fracking, baby, fracking," Clower said. Fracking, or hydraulic fractur-

ing, is a drilling technique to tap into natural gas using water, sand and chemicals to wrench apart rock to get at the gas.

Texas has regulatory policies promoting oil and gas production, but they're long-standing and not tied to an initiative crafted by current administrations in Washington or Austin, he said.

So neither the White House nor the state House can take credit, Clower said such things are like

dove hunting: Shoot at everything,

and take credit for anything that Abilene jumped up from No. 277

to No. 202 in the ranking. Abilenians are taking home pay-

checks with \$6,251 more on average since 2006. The average per capita income is \$35,571. "It's mainly being driven by the

energy sector," said Bill Ehrie, president of the Abilene Industrial Foundation. "Oil is good, but the Cline Shale is only adding to the best situation we've had in years." Abilene doesn't sit on the Cline

Shale oil formation, but the city is expected to benefit from a boom when major drilling begins. The formation could have up to 30 billion barrels of reachable oil.

It's not all good news for Texas. The three poorest metropolitan

areas are Laredo, Brownsville-Harlingen and McAllen-Edinburg-Mission. That hasn't changed from 2006 to 2011.

"Our border communities are still struggling," Clower said. They are typically the first stop

for immigrants from Mexico and Central America, and border violence could be taking a toll on their economies, officials said.

now.

Regional glance

Celebrations keep firefighters busy

DALLAS (AP) — Fire crews are reporting a rash of grass and other fires in many areas of Texas caused by fireworks lit as part of Fourth of July cel-Fire officials in Travis County said

Friday there were approximately 30 grass and trash fires in Austin and nearly as many reported in other parts of that Central Texas county. Dallas firefighters responded to 24

grass fires Thursday evening and early Friday morning, in addition to four structure fires. Authorities have confirmed that at least six were caused by fireworks. North Texas crews in rural parts of

Tarrant County responded to at least 11 In the Panhandle, Amarillo authori-

ties responded to just a few fires, but received more than 450 calls complaining about fireworks violations, fights or other disturbances.

BLM approves NM natural gas pipeline project

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — The federal government has given the green light to a proposal to build 234 miles of pipeline to transport natural gas liquids from one corner of New Mexico to the other and ultimately to markets in South Texas. The Bureau of Land Management's

approval of the Western Expansion Pipeline III project comes just a week after President Barack Obama unveiled his plan for combating climate change, part of which included boosting the role of natural gas in energy production.

News of the pipeline's approval encouraged oil and gas developers in New Mexico, which is home to portions of both the Permian and San Juan basins. "These projects aren't just built for the

conditions at the moment. They're longterm investments," said Wally Drangmeister, a spokesman for the New Mexico Oil and Gas Association. "I think it's a good sign that some investment is going in that will support the state." The \$320 million project will transport

natural gas liquid products from northwestern New Mexico to a hub in Hobbs in the southeastern corner of the state and ultimately to Texas to help meet existing and future demand. With production increasing in the

San Juan Basin and in the Rocky Mountains, Mid-America Pipeline Co.'s existing system is nearing capacity. Currently, the system can transport about 275,000 barrels per day, but more wells are going into production in New Mexico, Wyoming, Utah and Colorado.

With the new pipeline through New Mexico, Mid-America said its capacity would be boosted to about 350,000 barrels per day.

Suspect shot when confronted by victims

HOUSTON (AP) - Police say a 24-yearold man has been hospitalized in serious condition after being confronted by people whose vehicles he's suspected of

Authorities say Cristian Lince and another man burglarized several vehicles in a Houston neighborhood early Wednesday morning. They say a resident was awakened and later followed the two. The resident's neighbors were notified and approached the suspects when they stopped at a gas station.

Police say one of the neighbors felt threatened and shot Lince, who then fled in a stolen vehicle with the second suspect. But Lince was thrown from the vehicle when it struck an overpass.

He's charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. The second suspect is

HIGHWAYS

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Spring native Brint Ryan. "We restored it as close as possible to the original as you Ryan as saying. "W.R. Settles, if he walked in the lobby today, he'd recognize the place.'

can imagine," Joyce quotes

lic hearing expressed

concerns the county

might "overreach" in its

efforts to protect county

property owners. How-

ever, Kimbrough said

that sort of uncertainty

is common when a coun-

ty begins the process of

attempting to regulate

"What that does is

Kimbrough said. "Folks

who have never had a

county with subdivi-

sion regulations (now

have them). Yes, uncer-

tainty does exist and it

always does. However,

when you look at what

the laws are designed

to do, I think most peo-

ple come away with

the idea that a forward-

sooner or later, begins

to address the questions

like, 'What are we going

to do about roads, drain-

age, water and wastewa-

ter and things like that?"

Because, long after the

elected officials leave

thinking,

commissioners

reasonable

court,

uncertainty,"

development.

create

speaking of its grand ballroom and newly refurbished rooms, with their original cast-iron tubs. It also details other places

to see in Big Spring, such as the historic spring, Coman-

che Trail Park, Big Spring State Park, Heritage Museum and Hangar 25 Air Museum. It speaks of Big Spring's aviation history as the Army Air Corps Bombardier School and Webb Air Force Base.

Featuring some well-taken photos by Michael Amador, it's is a strong promotion piece for both the Hotel Settles and Big Spring itself.

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apartment building near the intersection of $24^{
m th}$ StreetandEdgemere, located northeast of the Kentwood community. "I don't blame the people for being concerned with it, I really don't. However, the county is extremely limited as to what (regulations) we can impose.

"We can't zone and we can't regulate how many dwellings can be on the property, because that is handled by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality rules on septic systems. And those rules and regulations get very, very complex. And that's why we are holding these public hearings, because we've had so many people expressing concerns about what's going on in Howard County.'

At least one speaker during a previous pub-

Joyce's article paints a colorful picture of the hotel,

> office, some of those problems may still exist if they don't try to do something about it

Also Monday, the

court is set to meet in review applications to fill the unexpired term of Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Quail Dobbs, who will be retiring at the end of 2013.

According to Barr, his office has received several applications for the position. "We've already re-

ceived four resumes," Barr said. "There seems to be quite a bit of interest about the position in

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the community." Dobbs has served as

justice of the peace for Precinct 2 — an area that includes Coahoma and Sand Springs since Jan. 1, 1999, and will retire effective Dec. 31, at which time there will be a year remaining in his term.

"It's sort of a complicated process," Barr said. "We have to make sure the candidates are U.S. and Texas citizens and a resident of the precinct for at least six months. That means they will need to have lived in the district since at least Dec. 9.

Also, they have to be at least 18 years of age."

Monday's meeting is to get under way at 10 a.m. in the commissioners courtroom, located on the third floor of the county courthouse.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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LETTERS

Way to go, city council

To THE EDITOR:

I would like to express my thanks to the current city council for having the foresight to deny taxpayer funding to the developer wishing to build homes in the Colonial Hills area.

The developers' inference seemed to be that if he did not receive the public funds, he would either not be able to sell the properties, or, if he did, he would not make

sufficient funds from the sale.

own admission the demand for housing is going to be great, and the need is here. A community should not a blackmail attempt thrust upon them in order to further the profits of a house builder. The project should stand or fail on its own merits.

Once again, hats off to the council.

ARDIS McCasland Jr. **BIG SPRING**

OTHER VIEWS

Immigration bill better than nothing

♦ he U.S. Senate passed the nation's most important overhaul of immigration laws in a generation two weeks ago.

The landmark bill includes a 13-year path to citizenship for the nation's unauthorized immigrants, coupled with strengthened border security The 1,100-page measure, six months in the making

is a testament to compromise. Its "Gang of Eight' authors shepherded it through 37 hours of deliberations in the Senate Judiciary Committee alone. Committee members carefully considered more than 300 amendments, some designed to strengthen the bill, some designed to kill it. That's how compromise works. It's seldom pretty,

never easy. And that may explain why two presidents have occupied the White House and three Congresses have been seated since the last attempt. Opportunities to pass comprehensive reform are

Which is one reason this newspaper supports SB 744. It's not perfect, but it's the best shot this nation has at passing much-needed comprehensive immi-

The \$40 billion price tag for border enforcement. which will result in a doubling of Border Patrol

agents, seems excessive. And a path to legalization rather than citizenship would have been preferable. But, as with so much of the bill, those were neces-

sary pieces of the political puzzle that led to its passage — with 68 votes. Achieving that supermajority was intended to

grease the wheels for a similar bipartisan compromise approach in the House. Unfortunately, that still seems to be a steep climb. Speaker John Boehner has said he will not bring the Senate bill to a vote unless a majority of House Republicans agrees to it, which is unlikely.

Many Republicans are demanding long-term success at border enforcement before a path to citizenship could even be considered. Democrats have said that is unacceptable. It's now incumbent on both sides in the House to give a little to get something passed, as their counterparts in the Senate did. It serves no one's interest to continue to have 11 million people in this country illegally. Our current system has created an underworld of residents who cannot be effectively monitored, protected — or taxed.

Studies have found that legalizing illegal immigrants would add more than 1 percent to our country's gross domestic product — \$1.5 trillion over 10 years. And Texas is one of the states that should feel that

impact the most.

A 2006 study by the state comptroller's office found must purpose to be more precise. that illegal immigrants had contributed \$17.7 billion to Texas' gross domestic product in 2005. The Greater Houston Partnership released a report this year that found legalization in the Houston area alone could bring an additional \$1.8 billion in taxes. And then there are non-economic benefits: the reuniting of families, increased reporting of crimes, greater workplace protections.

Companies will be able to tap the intellectual potential of high-skilled workers.

SB 744 is not perfect. But it's a starting point.

Now it's up to the House to pass its own version so a true compromise measure can be hammered out in a conference committee.

The vitality of the nation depends on it.

—Dallas Morning News

Jan Hart: A professional patient

cott and White Hospital in Temple is the home of A & M's Medical School. It's a training ground for doctors and patients. Jan Hart is known as a standardized patient.

"I have a script. And I'm supposed to play like I have some terrible malady that the residents or medical students must diagnose and figure out how to treat. The exercise helps them learn how to communicate with patients and develop a pleasing

bedside manner. They also learn how to conduct a proper physical exam. "This is very satisfying to me Balderdash! By his to know that I'm doing some-

thing that will help my future physician treat me." Jan has had some terrible maladies.

"The first I had was a terrible

have what amounts to rash around my midsection. As soon as I got the script for it, I knew it was shingles. I had to

act like it was very painful. The medical student would have to come in and find out what kind of pain I was having, where did it hurt, what did the skin look like. They would have to find out exactly what it was and then suggest a treatment." The standardized patients have

a training period. Once they get to the training area, they practice the script sent by email.

They already know the background of their problems. There are several standardized patients and so far Jan has not had the same medical student see her more than once. She says if she keeps doing it she's bound to see some of the same ones.

"If and when that happens, they'll probably be amazed that I survived the last disease."

Jan has been doing this three years. She gets paid to act like she's sick.

"Even if I didn't get paid I think I would do it because I really enjoy it. It's a little acting job. The meeting with the doctor is usually recorded on video and there is usually someone watching in the control room. If the patients are misdiagnosed,

the students get help when they have a review and look at the video."

The medical students have just a certain amount of time to spend with each patient before going to the next one. Sometimes the meetings are done in an office, sometimes in a room with the patient wearing a hospital gown.

"There might be three or four of us doing the same thing in dif ferent exam rooms, so that when the 20 students come in, one will come into my room, another will go he next one and so on. The standardized part is that we all have the same answers to their questions."

Jan must be doing things right because she is getting more and more calls.

"Either they're getting more cases or they really really like

Jan is in good health.

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Not as hot as we thought

Editor's Note: Dr. Don Newbury is away. This column was first published the week of Aug. 20.

mericans have fallen into a crevice of sloppiness with usage of the word "hot," and it has nothing to do with 100-plus degree days.

Indeed, "hot" has become a

handy word for descriptions that don't involve thermometers. "Hot" describes

fast cars, stolen

property and well-

sculpted bodies. Coming to light dures to measure "hotness" that may put the "qui-

are precise proceetus" on flippant use of the word.

This could be "bubble-bursting" for many current well-worn uses. ("Hotter'n a two-dollar cook

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stove" was an expression my old dad used often, usually to describe the weather.) Likewise, it should cause us to

"tighten up" our answers for the "how hot was it?" questions. We Forget the times when it was so hot that: 1) A dog was chasing a cat, and

- both of 'em were walkin'
- sidewalk 3) Fish were caught with ticks
- on 'em. Forget, too, it being "so hot" in

2) Eggs were frying on the

Arlington, Texas, that a school playground burned to the, uh, ground. Turns out it was made of synthetic material, like the yards of a couple of dozen other schools. Arlington ISD is playing it safe, and the switch back

from synthetics to pea gravel is million dollars or so for playgrounds to meet fire codes. In the meantime, the kids will "make do" with sidewalk hopscotch.

Chili cook-offs are taking a hit, too. Just think: We've been measuring chili's relative "hotness" with "alarm numbers" counted in single digits.

This won't get it done. Relativity must yield to specificity. The integrity of cook-offs hangs in the balance. To do less is tantamount to messin' with codes of the Old West.

We've been clip-clopping along in blissful ignorance. I mean, "hotness" measurement procedures have been around for nearly a century. Had we simply read the fine

print, we'd have known that a chemist named Wilbur Scoville developed a scale to measure hot peppers back in 1912. And he was an American guy, for crying out loud. His "SHU's" (Scoville Heat

Units), measuring the piquancy of peppers, hinge on the subjective findings of five "tasters." Creeping into current use is

the "Gillett Method" that measures heat HPLC: "high pressure liquid chromatography." These findings easily convert to SHU's. I've told more than I know,

except to warn there are many more details. The print gets finer and finer.

You wanna talk about hot? Next time something breaks and you make the "SOS" repair call, expect it to be out-sourced to India. If you're fortunate enough to reach someone who speaks English, ask about *their* peppers. Your ears will burn with the braggin' about India's *really* hot

I mean, Bombay's world-class

peppers are smokin', reducing

whipped cream. We shouldn't be surprised. Hot peppers were on Christopher Columbus' "wish list." After his pepper-fetching mission, the hot stuff was strewn around several other countries when he got

Consider this: India has a pepper called "Naga Jolokia," the hottest in the world with 1,040,000 SHU's. This is about 120 times hotter than Tabasco sauce and more than 300 times

as much fire as our jalapeños. Any hotter and they convert it to self-defense spray.

The Red Savina Habanero, former Guinness record holder first grown in South America, now ranks a pale second to the Naka Jolokia at 575,000 SHU's.

Wake the town and tell the people. We've got to "get crackin" on this pepper crisis. For starters, we need to concoct chil hot enough to make Aggies sing the War Hymn backwards. We are the laughing stock of the pepper world.

Speaking of stock, they're snickering in India about Americans cross-breeding cattle with yaks to produce offspring called 'yattle.'

This combination results in the "dumbing down" of cattle, already considered dumb. What if the yaks are dominant in milk production? Their milk is pink; how'd we explain that? "Yattle prattle" is for a future column, after my eyes stop watering.

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underway. The cost is a quarterour pepper pods to comparative

Work continues to save historic Spanish-American War era ship

 Caretakers of a deteriorating piece of maritime military history hope to have its future secured by next summer and continue working to ensure it stays afloat in the meantime.

The USS Olympia, a one-of-a-kind steel cruiser from the Spanish-American War, ideally would have been drydocked every 20 years for maintenance but has not been out of the water since 1945.

Since taking stewardship of the National Historic Landmark from a cash-strapped nonprofit in 1996, the Independence Seaport Museum has spent about \$5 million on short-term repairs, inspections and maintenance but cannot afford to keep the ship, officials say.

A field of six organizations initially vying for the Olympia has been narrowed to two preservation groups — one in the San Francisco Bay Area, where the 5,500-ton warship was launched in 1892, and one in Port Royal, S.C., a strategic support post for the Atlantic fleet during the Spanish-

American War. Both groups will continue refining their proposals until the finalist is chosen next summer by an advisory team including officials from the museum, National Park Service and Pennsylvania Historical Museum Commission. The Navy will make the ultimate call on whether to accept the advisory team's recommendation.

Officials have said without extensive repairs, the rusting Olympia will sink at its moorings, be sold for scrap or scuttled for an artificial

They put out a call in 2011 seeking nonprofits and foundations to take stewardship of the weathered old cruiser, said to be the only steel warship in the world still afloat.

"We're on a path to preservation ... but we have a long way to go," said Independence Seaport Museum historic ships manager Jesse Lebovics.

finalist must

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demonstrate it has the expertise, location and money to dredge the marina, tow the 344-footlong ship to dry-dock, restore it and establish an endowment for future upkeep. Estimates have put that total price

tag at \$10 million to \$20

The deal also includes several thousand Olympia artifacts and documents that also will require museum-level care and maintenance, Independence Seaport Museum chief curator Craig Bruns said.

"We have a vested interest in making sure the institution the collections are going to is mature enough to care for these items," Bruns said. "A ship is a ship, but these are items donated by families of sailors on the Olympia. It's their closest connection to their ancestor."

Though the Olympia's condition remains dire, continue caretakers their efforts to keep further deterioration at bay until the transfer. In the past three years, about \$500,000 in donation-funded stabilization work has included hundreds of patches to the leaky deck and corroded lower hull, updated high-water and fire alarms, a new network of bilge-pumping pipes in case of a hull breech, and repairs and mainte-

nance to riggings. "Everything we've done we've done well but they're still interim steps," said Independence Seaport Museum

historic ships manager Jesse Lebovics. "The underlying problems remain and they're big."

From Olympia's bridge on May 1, 1898, during the Battle of Manila Bay in the Philippines, Commodore George Dewey uttered the famous command: "You may fire when ready, Gridley." The Spanish fleet was decimated, making Dewey and the Olympia national heroes.

Its final mission was bringing home body of World War I's Unknown Soldier from France in 1921. The vessel was decommissioned in 1922 and was largely forgotten until it was nearly scrapped in the 1950s — and Philadelphia residents rallied to

Olympia opened as a museum in 1958, but funding woes and threats of sale or scrap have been part of its history ever since. It gets about 90,000 visitors annually and remains open to the public seven days a week.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation has set up a fund for donations to Olympia.

Neighborhood remembers dog

FORT WORTH (AP) A memorial service has been held for Beau Blue, a dog with no owner who became a fixture in a Fort Worth neighborhood.

Residents, police officers and the veterinarian who cared for Beau Blue gathered Wednesday at an outdoor chapel to remember the pointer-mix who died June 26 of heart and kidney failure.

the neighborhood of vacant lots, renovated buildings and small businesses off South Main Street.

Blue was a fixture in

"This whole little area was his kingdom," said Marcus Newton, who moved into the neighborhood a year ago.

Newton struck up a friendship with Blue, who would stay in his garage on cold nights and come by most days. But Blue, who got that part of his name for his bond with the police officers who patrolled the area, wasn't tied to one resi-

Fort Worth police officer G.G. Hempstead quickly learned that Blue knew the whole neighborhood.

"This dog brought joy to everybody," Hempstead said. "He guarded everybody. He would walk you down the street. When I first met him, I thought he needed me; then later I realized I needed him."

After difficult calls, Hempstead would visit Blue to relieve the

Blue also reached out to the neighborhood's homeless population.

"When they're in need — if they need some love, if they need company — he hangs out with them," Hempstead said.

Hardin, who Jim owns Jane's Secret Place Antiques and Home Decor Store with his wife, Jane, said when he would show up late at night to work at the store or in the warehouse, Blue would

always appear. Crowley veterinarian Dehna Shaffer cared for Blue.

"A lot of times we go, 'He's just a dog,'" Shaffer said. "But this 'Just a dog' carried the heart of a community."

Odds and ends

Cherry pit spitting contest returns to SW Michigan

EAU CLAIRE, Mich. (AP) — It's time for the annual cherry pit spitting contest in southwestern Michigan, and organizers promise it will be — what else? — "spittacular."

The 40th International Cherry Pit Spitting Championship is set for Saturday at Tree-Mendus Fruit Farm near Eau Claire.

In addition to the main spit-offs for men and women, there's a number of outh competitions on the schedule as

well as a competition for dignitaries. Owner Herb Teichman launched the tournament four decades ago as a lark — but also to mark the region's

tart cherry harvest.

Car drives several miles with dog trapped by axle

DANIA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — South Florida firefighters came to the rescue of a dog that traveled 5 miles while trapped under the hood of a car.

The Broward Sheriff's Office says firefighters were called Thursday afternoon to Dania Beach to free the dog. The animal had been trapped between the car's axle and steering mechanism.

A sheriff's office spokesman says the dog suffered no injuries, even though it had been driven roughly 5 miles from Hallandale Beach.

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Egypt on edge after clashes leave at least 30 dead; Islamists push to restore ousted president

CAIRO (AP) — Egyptians were on edge Saturday morning after supporters and opponents of ousted President Mohammed Morsi fought overnight street battles that left at least 30 dead across the increasingly divided country.

Cairo's emblematic Tahrir Square and nearby approaches to the River Nile were largely empty but left strewn with debris. Thousands of Morsi's Islamist supporters had marched to the area demanding his reinstatement but ended up fleeing under a hail of stones, fireworks and sometimes gunfire.

Enraged at his overthrow by millions of protesters backed by the country's powerful military, tens of thousands of Morsi's supporters took to the streets on Friday, holding rallies they say they will continue until the former leader is returned to of-

The chaotic scenes that played out in the capital, mostly on a bridge leading to Tahrir, ended only after the army rushed in with armored vehicles to separate the warring groups. Some of Morsi's opponents jumped on at least one vehicle to try to show that the military was on their side.

The clashes had accelerated after the supreme leader of Morsi's Muslim Brotherhood defiantly proclaimed his followers would not give up street action until the return of the country's first freely elected president. Morsi's opponents had called out the public to defend against the Brotherhood, deepening the battle lines.

Snowden's fate up in air after Nicaragua, Venezuela say they're willing to grant asylum

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — The quest by NSA leaker Edward Snowden for a safe haven has taken a turn toward Latin America, with offers for asylum coming from the leftist presidents of Nicaragua and Venezuela.

But there were no immediate signs that efforts were underway to bring him to either nation after Nicolas Maduro of Venezuela and Daniel Ortega of Nicaragua made their offers during separate speeches in their home countries Friday.

The offers came one day after leftist South American leaders gathered to denounce the rerouting of Bolivian President Evo Morales' plane over Europe amid reports that the fugitive American was

Snowden, who is being sought by the United States, has asked for asylum in more than 20 countries, including Nicaragua and Venezuela. Many another nations have turned him down.

"As head of state, the government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela decided to offer hu-

manitarian asylum to the young American Edward Snowden so that he can live in the homeland" of independence leader Simon Bolivar and the late President Hugo Chavez without "persecution from the empire," Maduro said, referring to the United

North and South Korean delegates start working-level talks on stalled factory park

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Delegates from North and South Korea began talks Saturday on restarting a stalled joint factory park that had been a symbol of cooperation between the bitter rivals.

The Kaesong industrial zone, just north of the Demilitarized Zone dividing the two Koreas, was the centerpiece of inter-Korean projects hatched during a previous era of warming ties. But it was closed in April as tensions rose between the rivals when South Korea held military exercises with the U.S. troops not far from the border, which led to North Korea pulling its 53,000 workers out of the industrial park in protest. South Korea then ordered its managers to leave as well, against their wishes. South Korea's Unification Ministry, which is in

charge of relations with North Korea, said the two sides began the working-level talks at the truce village of Panmunjom inside the DMZ The two agreed to discuss retrieving products

that the South Korean managers left behind at the industrial complex in North Korea and inspecting the facilities. They will also discuss restarting work at the park.

The park, which brought together North Korean labor and South Korean capital, resulted in nearly \$2 billion a year in cross-border trade. It was the last remaining joint project between two Koreas as relations soured over the past five years.

Solar powered aircraft heads to NYC, final leg of historic cross-country flight

WASHINGTON (AP) — A solar-powered aircraft lifted off from a suburban Washington airport before dawn Saturday, embarking on the final leg of a history-making cross-country flight.

The Solar Impulse flew out of Dulles International Airport a little before 5 a.m. en route to New York City. The flight plan for the revolutionary plane takes it past the Statue of Liberty before landing at New York's JFK Airport early Sunday.

"This is a leg where everybody is quite moved," Bertrand Piccard, one of two pilots who took turns flying the Solar Impulse across the United States, said shortly after the aircraft was in the air.

He stood on the tarmac, giving an enthusiastic thumbs up as the plane soared into the morning

The Solar Impulse was expected to set down in New York around 2 a.m. Weather for the flight, which will take the plane over Maryland and Delaware, then up the coast past Atlantic City, was expected to be good. Andre Borschberg was piloting the final

Defense Dept workers face first of 11 furlough days as budget cuts kick in

WASHINGTON (AP) A day without pay, the first of 11 through September, comes next week for more than 650,000 people who hold civilian jobs with the Defense Department. Officials worry that the Pentagon will be hit even harder by layoffs in

2014 if automatic budget cuts continue as planned.

Roughly 85 percent of the department's nearly 900,000 civilians around the world will be furloughed one day each week over the next three months, according to the latest statistics provided by the Pentagon. But while defense officials were able to shift money around to limit the furloughs this year, thousands of civilian, military and contract jobs could be on the chopping block next

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel is expected to provide senators with more details early next week on how the next wave of across-the-board budget cuts will affect the department, said Pentagon press secretary George Little. But while defense officials have not yet released details on the impact of the cuts, Gen. Ray Odierno, the Army's chief of staff, has warned that as many as 100,000 more active-duty, National Guard and Reserve soldiers could lose their jobs if Congress allows billions of dollars in automatic budget cuts to continue next year.

Initial hopes that the number of furlough days could be reduced have largely been dashed. Instead, talk is focused more on how to slash spending in 2014. The department can only force workers to take 22 furlough days per year, thus the need for possible layoffs.

South Africa: critically ill Mandela nears a month in hospital amid questions on his condition

JOHANNESBURG (AP) — Former South African leader Nelson Mandela has been in a hospital for

There was no official update Saturday morning on the condition of the 94-year-old former president, who is in critical but stable condition after being diagnosed with a recurring lung infection. He was taken to a hospital in Pretoria, the capital,

The government has said Mandela is not in a vegetative state, contrary to recent court documents. A close friend told Sky News that the anti-apartheid leader was conscious and responsive earlier this

Crime makes comeback as a political issue, even as conservatives take softer stance

DENVER (AP) — The ad seems like an artifact from an earlier political era — a grainy mug shot of a convicted murderer, flashing police lights, a recording of a panicked 911 call and then a question about Colorado's Democratic governor, up for reelection next year: "How can we protect our families when Gov. Hickenlooper allows a cold-blooded killer to escape justice?"

The online spot from the Colorado Republican Party appeared only hours after Gov. John Hickenlooper in May indefinitely suspended the death sentence of Nathan Dunlap, who killed four people in 1993 and was scheduled to be executed in August. The governor cited problems with the concept and application of the death penalty.

Eclipsed by economic issues and other social concerns, crime is slowly re-emerging as a campaign

From the 1960s to the early 1990s, Republicans hammered Democrats on crime for focusing too much on rehabilitation and not enough on punishment and imprisonment. That changed as crime rates plunged in the 1990s and Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton inoculated Democrats by being an avid death penalty supporter, interrupting his 1992 presidential campaign to preside over an execution.

Jury in George Zimmerman trial presented with conflicting testimony about screams on 911 call

SANFORD, Fla. (AP) — Jurors in the George Zimmerman trial are heading into their weekend with a lot of courtroom drama and conflicting testimony

Friday's action-packed session saw the prosecution rest its case, and the judge reject a defense request to acquit Zimmerman of second-degree murder in the fatal shooting of 17-year-old Trayvon Martin last year.

The mothers of both Martin and Zimmerman listened to the same 911 recording of someone screaming for help, and each said the voice was that of her own son.

Defense attorney Mark O'Mara says he'll call several of the state's witnesses back to the stand during his case, which he said could conclude next week.

He says he hasn't decided whether to again try to introduce a toxicology report showing Martin had marijuana in his system.

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WTG Gas Processing, L.P. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 5301, which would authorize continued operation of the East Vealmoor Gas Plant located in Coahoma, Howard County, Texas 79511. The applicant has provided the following driving directions: From Big Spring at I-20 and Texas 350, go 24 miles east on TX 350 to Vincent, then 8 miles west on FM 846. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.



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Local fall sports schedules finalized

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

Summer is still a long way from being over, but fall sports schedules are already being finalized. From the beloved area football programs such as the Big Spring Steers, to the inaugural season of Coahoma Bulldogette autumn volleyball, promises to be full of athletic action once

Denotes district games.

Dates and times subject to change.

2013 Volleyball **Big Spring Lady Steers** • Aug. 9: At San Angelo

- Central scrimmage, 9th, JV, varsity, TBA. • Aug. 10: Big Spring scrimmage (home), 9th,
- JV, varsity, TBA. • Aug. 13: Abilene Hiogh/Abilene Cooper,
- 9th, JV, varsity, TBA. • Aug. 16-17: Bev Ball
- Classic Tournament, Abilene, varsity, TBA; Sweetwater Tournament, 9^{th} and JV,

TBA. • Aug. 20: Andrews at Big Spring, 9th and JV at

5 p.m., varsity at 6 p.m. • Aug. 23-24: Granbury Tournament, varsity, Key City TBA;

Tournament, Abilene,

- freshmen, TBA. • Aug. 27: At Grape Creek, 9th at 4 p.m.; JV at
- 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m. • Aug. 30-31: Frenship
- Tournament, varsity,
- Sept. 3: Frenship at Big Spring, 9th and JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m.
- Sept. 6: At Midland Christian, freshmen at 4 p.m; varsity at 5 p.m.
- Sept. 6-7: Lamesa playoff.

Tournament, JV, TBA.

- Sept. 10: Midland Christian at Big Spring, 9th and JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6:30 p.m.
- at Big Spring, 9th at 10 a.m.; JV and varsity at
- Sept. 17: Water Valley at Big Spring, 9th and JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6:30
- Sept. 20: San Angelo Lake View at Big Spring, 9th and varsity at 4:30 p.m.; JV at 6 p.m.
- Sept. 24: Bronte at Big Spring, 9th and JV at 4:30 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m.
- **Sept. 27: At Greenwood, varsity at 4 p.m.; 9th and JV at 5:30
- **Oct. 1: Monahans at Big Spring, 9th and JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m.
- **Oct. 4: At Snyder, 9th and JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6:30 p.m.
- **Oct. 8: Sweetwater at Big Spring, 9th and JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at
- **Oct. 11: At Abilene Wylie, varsity at 5 p.m.; 9th and JV at 6:30 p.m.
- **Oct. 15: Greenwood at Big Spring, 9th and JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at
- **Oct. 18: Snyder at Big Spring, 9th and JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m. **Oct. 22: At
- Monahans, 9th and JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m. **Oct. 25:
- Sweetwater, varsity at 4:30 p.m.; 9th and JV at 6 • **Oct. 29: Abilene
- Wylie at Big Spring, 9th and JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m.
- Nov. 4-5: Bi-district playoff. Nov. 7-9: Area

- Nov. 11-12: Regional noon. quarterfinal playoff.
- Nov. 15-16: Regional tournament.
- Nov. 21-23: State • Sept. 14: Seminole championship tournament.

- Sept. 17: At Loraine, varsity at 6 p.m.
- Sept. 19-21: Post
- Tournament, JV TBA. • Sept. 21: Plains at Coahoma, varsity at

Coahoma **Bulldogettes**

- Aug. 10: At Midland Classical (scrimmage), JV at 11 a.m.; varsity at noon.
- Aug. 16: Wellman-Union at Coahoma, JV at 2 p.m.; varsity at 3
- Aug. 20: Loraine at Coahoma, varsity at 6
- Aug. 23-24: Crane Tournament, varsity TBA. • Aug. 27: At Wellman-
- Union, JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m. • Aug. 29-31: Reagan
- County Tournament, JV TBA.
- Sept. 3: At Tuscola Jim Ned, JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m.
- Sept. 5-7: Post Tournament, varsity TBA.
- Sept. 10: Veribest at Coahoma, JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m.
- Sept. 14: Midland Classical at Coahoma, JV at 11 a.m.; varsity at

- Sept. 24: Open date.
- **Sept. 28: Post at Coahoma, JV at 11 a.m.; varsity at noon.
- **Oct. 1: At Lamesa, JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at • **Oct. 4: Brownfield
- at Coahoma, JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m. • **Oct. 8: At Colorado
- City, JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m. • **Oct. 12: At Denver City, JV at 11 a.m.;
- varsity at noon. • **Oct. 15: At Post, JV
- at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 • **Oct. 19: Lamesa at
- Coahoma, JV at 11 a.m.; varsity at noon. • **Oct. 22:
- Brownfield, JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m.
- **Oct. 26: Colorado City at Coahoma, JV at 11 a.m.; varsity at noon.
- **Oct. 29: Denver City at Coahoma, JV at 5 p.m.; varsity at 6 p.m.

2013-2014 Swimming Big Spring

- Sept. 28: Black/Gold Intrasquad, at Spring, 11 a.m.
- Oct. 5: Fort Stockton/ Pecos Dual, at Big Spring, 1 p.m.
- Oct. 8: Andrews Dual, at Big Spring, 5 p.m.
- Oct. 19: Abilene Invitational, McMurry University,
- Oct. 25-26: Monahans Invitational, 11 a.m.
- Nov. 8-9: Pecos Invitational, 11 a.m. • Nov. 15-16: Odessa
- Invitation (Permian), 11
- Dec. 6-7: Seminole Invitational: 11 a.m.
- Dec. 10: Odessa High Dual, at Ector Jr. High, 5:30 p.m. • Dec. 13-14: 3A State
- Invitational, Worth, TCU, TBA.
- Jan. 10-11: Andrews Invitational, TBA.
- Jan. 24-25: District meet, Lubbock, TBA. • Feb. 7-8: Regional Big Spring, 9th at 5 p.m.;
- meet, Andrews, TBA. • Feb. 21-22: State meet,
- Austin, University of Texas, TBA.

2013 Football **Big Spring Steers** (varsity)

- Aug. 16: Lubbock High at Big Spring (scrimmage), 7 p.m.
- Aug. 23: Lubbock Estacado at Big Spring (scrimmage), 7 p.m.
- Aug. 30: Fort Stockton at Big Spring, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 6: At Midland Christian, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 13: San Angelo Lake View at Big Spring (Homecoming), p.m.
- Sept. 20: At Andrews,
- 7:30 p.m. • Sept. 27: At Seminole,
- 7:30 p.m. • Oct. 4: Open date.

- **Oct. 11: At Abilene Wylie, 7:30 p.m. • **Oct. 18: Snyder at
- Big Spring, 7:30 p.m. **Oct. Sweetwater, 7:30 p.m.

**Nov. 1:

- Greenwood, 7:30 p.m. • **Nov. 8: Monahans
- at Big Spring, 7:30 p.m.

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- (scrimmage), 6 p.m. Sept. 5: Pecos at Big Spring, 9th, 5 p.m.; Midland Christian at

Big Spring, JV, 7 p.m.

• Sept 12: At San Angelo

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 - Big Spring, 9th at 5 p.m.; JV at 7 p.m. Sept. 26: Seminole at
 - JV at 7 p.m. • Oct. 3: Open date.
 - **Oct. 10: Abilene Wylie at Big Spring, 9th at 5 p.m.; JV at 7 p.m. • ** Oct. 17: At Snyder,
 - 9th at 5 p.m.; JV at 7 p.m. • **Oct. 24: Sweetwater at Big Spring, 9th at 5 p.m.; JV at 7 p.m.
 - **Oct. 31: Greenwood at Big Spring, 9th at 5 p.m.; JV at 7 p.m.
 - **Nov. 7: Monahans, 9th at 5 p.m.; JV at 7 p.m.

Additional area fall sports schedules will be published upon release.

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Mavs, Calderon agree; Howard passes on Dallas

DALLAS (AP) — The Mavericks moved quickly once they were out of the running for Dwight Howard.

Dallas and free agent point guard Jose Calderon have an agreement on a four-year, \$28 million contract, a person with knowledge of the deal told The Associated Press on Friday night. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because free agent contracts can't be discussed publicly before Wednesday, when

they can first be signed. The agreement with Calderon came hours after Mavericks owner Mark Cuban said Howard had told Dallas he planned to sign elsewhere. Howard later wrote on Twitter that he has decided to

join the Houston Rockets. "We gave it a shot and it didn't work out," Cuban wrote about Howard in an email. "It was truly

an experience. So it's on to Plan filled with expiring or one-year

The first step in that plan is Calderon, who spent his first seven seasons with Toronto before the Raptors traded him to Detroit in January. The 6-foot-3 Spaniard has career averages of 10.1 points

Howard's decision meant the Mavericks missed out on pairing aging star Dirk Nowitzki with a big name in free agency for the second straight summer since declining to bring back key pieces from their first championship team in 2011.

and 7.2 assists per game.

Deron Williams, who grew up in the Dallas area, chose to stay with the Brooklyn Nets last sum-

The difference this year is Dallas planned to move forward with something more permanent after consecutive seasons of rosters

contracts. One of those players last season was point guard Darren Collison, who was given a chance to take over the offense but instead was twice benched in favor of aging veterans. He ended up being a change-of-pace replacement late in the season, which ended with Dallas out of the playoffs for the

first time since 2000. Dallas still lacks a shooting guard and a center for its starting lineup. O.J. Mayo and Chris Kaman were planned for those roles last season, and neither is expected back.

Calderon's best season was 2008-09 when he averaged career highs of 12.8 points and 8.9 assists. But that was a year after consecutive seasons of first-round playoff exits, when Calderon was primarily a backup.

Howard tweets that he'll sign with Rockets

(AP) — Dwight Howard never grew comfortable playing with Kobe Bryant and for Mike D'Antoni.

Once a wide-smiling, fun-loving big guy, Howard lacked that joy in Los Angeles.

The Rockets are confident he'll find it again in

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"We're going to get a smile back on his face that hasn't been on it for a couple of years because of various things, injury and maybe the team situation he was in at the time," general manager Daryl Morey told Comcast SportsNet (it's) the best place for

Houston.

The Rockets were the ones beaming Friday, thanks to Howard's choice to take less money in hopes of more happiness. "I've decided to be-

come a member of the

Houston Rockets. I feel

me and I am excited about joining the Rockets and I'm looking forward to a great season," Howard wrote on Twit-He leaves behind an

extra \$30 million and an offense under D'Antoni that he was never fully pleased with.

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Cruz backs up Tepesch with a slam as Rangers rout Houston, 10-5

(AP) — Nelson Cruz's case for a spot in the All-Star game just got a little stronger.

Cruz hit a grand slam, Nick Tepesch took a shutout into the sixth inning and the Texas Rangers beat the Houston Astros 10-5 on Friday night.

With the All-Star rosters set to be announced Saturday, and likely no Texas players among the starters for the first time since 2007, Cruz sent his 21st homer into the bullpen in leftcenter field to make it 6-0 in the second.

David Murphy and Adrian Beltre homered for the Rangers, who won the first American League game in Arlington between the in-state rivals and beat Houston for the 10th time in 11 games overall.

Tepesch (4-6) had five strikeouts the first time through the Astros' lineup and had a

ARLINGTON, Texas career high of nine by the fourth inning. The rookie right-hander's previous best of eight strikeouts came in his last win — nine starts ago against the Astros on May 12.

Lucas Harrell (5-9) walked four in the first two innings and three of them scored. Cruz's homer came after consecutive walks to Ian Kinsler and Murphy. Elvis Andrus also was aboard on a one-out single. Tepesch, who had a

12-1 lead before the bullpen struggled in a 12-7 win in Houston in May, was up 10-0 when he once again had trouble getting outs the third time through the order. He was charged with four runs and seven hits in five innings to go along with his nine strikeouts. Opposing batters are hitting .158 the first time they see Tepesch in a game, but .465 the third or fourth time.

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► Anniversary

Gustins celebrate 50 years

Caroll Johnson Gustin and John Gustin of Big Spring celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 6, 2013. Mrs. Gustin's sister, Sheron Lee and friend Pennie Dean, along with the couple's children, hosted an earlier celebration.

The couple plans to continue celebrating all summer by traveling and seeing the beauty and wonders of our country.

The Gustin's have two children and three grandchildren: Eric and Annisa (Dean) Gustin of

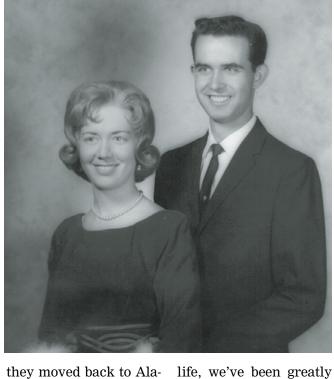


Shepherd, Texas. Jamie and Kerrie (Miller) Gustin of Magnolia, Texas,

and their children, Trevor and Grace. Also their God-granddaughter, Alexa Motega of Bedford, Texas.

John Gustin was born in San Diego, Calif. He graduated from Fallbrook, Calif., high School and New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, N.M. Caroll Johnson was born in Big Spring and, after graduating from Forsan High School, moved to Alamogordo, N.M., working for civil service at Holloman AFB, where she met Airman Gustin.

They were married a vear later by Forrest Upchurch at Mountain View Baptist church in Alamogordo. After a year's tour in Greenland, Gustin was discharged and the couple moved to Escondido, Calif. Later



John enjoys working

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Menu

Senior Center

Monday: Barbecue beef on bun, potato salad, relish plate, fruit, V8 juice, milk. Tuesday: Stuffed bell

peppers, mashed potatoes, peas and pearl onions, apple crisp, rolls, milk. Wednesday: Cheese-

burger on bun, baked chips, tropical fruit with banana, cookies, Thursday: Beef enchi-

ladas, pinto beans, salad, tortilla chips/salsa, fresh fruit, milk. Friday: Beeftips, rice,

California blend vegetables, cucumber salad, strawberries and angel cake, rolls, milk.



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they moved back to Alamogordo, N.M., Las Crublessed and our life has ces and Truth or Consegone past wonderful." quences, N.M. Then they made the move to Big Spring. Gustin worked at the Big Spring State Hospital several years then opened his accounting business, where he is mostly retired.

Caroll worked Wackers 5 & 10 store on Main Street through high school, then moved to Alamogordo, N.M., where she worked at Holloman AFB for several years. When they returned to Big Spring, she worked at the Sonshine Christian Bookstore and has been working and helping in the family bookkeeping business.

on old cars and trucks and keeping track of the wildlife on their property. Caroll enjoys reading and keeping up with family and longtime friends. The couple enjoy their children and grandchildren.

They also enjoy travel-

Births



Ariel Sya Mendez

Edward and Sally Mendez, both from Big Spring, Texas, are proud to announce the birth of their baby girl, Ariel Sya Mendez, born June 20, 2013, at 7:13 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center in Big Spring.

Ariel weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces and measured 18 inches long.

Ariel was welcomed home by her twin brothers, Mike and Marc Enriquez and older sisters, Arali, Neli and Lani Mendez.

Her paternal grandparents are the late Edward Mendez Jr. and Bill and Bell Cornish of Colorado City, Texas. Her maternal grandparents are Juan and Delia Gonzalez, both of Big Spring.

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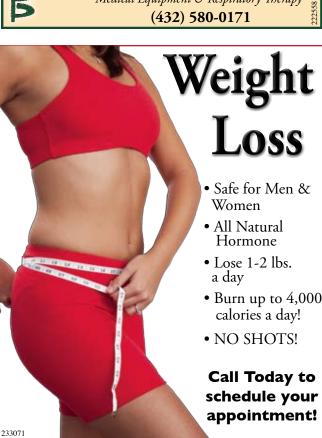
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Eastyn Gracelyn Buske

Eastyn Gracelyn Buske, a girl, was born May 28, 2013, at 5:11 p.m. She weighed 7 pounds and 5 ounces. She is the daughter of Matthew and Chelsea Buske of Garden City, Texas.

Maternal grandparents are Ronald and Cheryl Shults of Big Spring, Texas. Paternal grandparents are Paula Buske of Abilene, and Texas, Patrick Buske of Colorado City, Texas. Paternal greatgrandparents are John and Wanda Roberts of Garden City. Paternal great-great grandparent is Bertha Shires of Big Spring.

Eastyn was welcomed home by siblings Emma Grace and Elise Gracen Buske.

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Fowler and West

K'Ja Leigh Fowler of Big Spring and Erik West of Wall, Texas, will exchange wedding vows Sept. 14, 2013, in Austin, Texas.

K'Ja is the daughter of Brian and Karen Moore of Big Spring. She graduated from Coahoma High School May 31, 2002, and received an associates degree of applied science in dental hygiene from Howard College in May 2005. She is employed by Dr. Simon Garza

Erik is the son of David and Pam West of Wall. He is a 2003 graduate of Wall High School and a 2008 graduate of Angelo State University, where he received a bachelors of science in nursing. He is employed by St. Davids South Austin Medical Center in the cardiovascular intensive care unit.



Erik West and K'Ja Leigh Fowler

Keep Big Spring Beautiful

Keep Big Spring Beautiful met Monday, July 1, in the Cactus Room at Howard College. We welcomed two visitors, Elyssa Bancroft and Dottie Long.

President Jan Hansen opened the meeting after the invocation given by Sandra Rhodes-Bartlett. Minutes were presented by Teresa Darden and approved. Debbie noted there was no change in financials, approved.

We rejoiced over Kristen Poffibbarger's first place finish in the stateyouth competi-

She has already been honored by our city council. Our tables were arranged so committees could sit together and discuss up-coming proj-

We helped police the clean-up after Pops in the Park. Pat Simmons had trash bags available

at the entrance.

Sandra Rhodes-Bartlett gave a report on Doing Your Part awards coming up. Our theatre group has been busy.

They performed antilitter programs for the County Library Reading group and also gave a show for First United Methodist Kids With Purpose. Several projects are being discussed and will be presented for approval in August.

Solar Plane: Making clean tech sexy and adventurous

WASHINGTON (AP) - In noisy, energetic New York City, the pilots of a spindly plane that looks more toy than jet hope to grab attention in a surprising way: By being silent and consuming little energy.

revolutionary solar-powered plane is about to end a slow and symbolic journey across America by quietly buzzing the Statue of Liberty and landing in a city whose buildings often obscure the power-giving sun. The plane's top speed of 45 mph is so pokey, it would earn honks on the New Jersey Turnpike.

The plane is called Solar Impulse. And it leaves from Washington on a commuter-like hop planned this weekend, depending on the weather. It will take hours for the journey and offers none of the most basic comforts

But that's OK. The aircraft's creators say its purpose really has little to do with flying.

They view themselves as green pioneers — promoting lighter materials, solar-powered batteries, and conservation as sexy and adventurous. Theirs is the high-flying equivalent of the Tesla electric sports car. They want people to feel a thrill while saving the planet. Think Charles Lindbergh meets Rachel Carson.

And if there's one person who knows about adventure and what it means to Earth, it's Bertrand Piccard.

He's one of the two pilots who take turns flying Solar Impulse. His grandfather was the first man to see the curve of the Earth as a pioneering high-altitude balloon flier more than 80 years ago. His father more than half a century ago first took a submarine to the deepest and most inaccessible ocean trench on Earth.

And now in the 21st Century outside the Smithsonian's Air and Space Museum annex not too far from a retired space shuttle, Piccard says there's no truly new place on Earth for explorers to pioneer. At 55, he's

He already was the first person to fly around the world non-stop in a balloon, but that wasn't really enough. So Piccard found a way to explore by looking inward and acting globally.

"It's an exploration of new ways of



thinking," said Piccard, who is also a psychiatrist. "It's important to understand that pioneering is not only what you do. It's how you think. It's a state of mind more than action."

For him, there was no better cause than clean technology.

"After a conquest of the planet, the 21st Century should be about improving the quality of life," Piccard said. And the lightweight beanpole that's called Solar Impulse "is something spectacular in order to capture the attention of the people. If you make a solar bicycle to drive, nobody would care. If you make a solar plane, everybody cares. Everybody wants to see

Europe saw it first with a test flight from Switzerland and Spain to Morocco last year. This year's U.S. flight is another trial run that's really preparation for a 2015 around-theworld trip with an upgraded version of the plane. Solar Impulse has been to San Francisco, Phoenix, Dallas, St. Louis, Cincinnati and Washington. All that's left is New York's JFK Airport and Piccard talked about having to wait his turn to land with all

"We're flying the most extraordinary airplane in the world," Piccard

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Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service photo

Latest estimates are that cotton plantings will be down 13 percent this year, according to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service agronomists.

'Death ridge' moves westward; high, and low, temperature records broken

By ROBERT BURNS

Texas Agri_Life Writer

COLLEGE STATION — Heatwise, Texas had a rollercoaster ride the last days of June and the

first week of July. During the last few days of June, temperatures were extremely high in much of the state, stress-

ing row crops, pastures, rangeland and livestock, according to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service personnel. In some areas, historical records were broken the last week

of June. In San Antonio, a 108-degree day was the highest since the 1800s, when records began to be taken, said Aaron Treadway, meteorologist with the National Weather Service in New Braunfels. But during the first days of July, it was record lows that were broken.

"It's been pretty much a rollercoaster ride of extreme temperatures," Treadway said. "It'll warm back up as we get into the middle of July, and we'll see temperatures back in the century

Last week, the same high-pressure zone that is blocking cooler air from the north and causing extremely hot weather on the West Coast, was behind the extreme highs in Texas, Treadway noted.

The summer high-pressure zone is what meteorologists call the "death ridge," he said, as it not only blocks cool fronts but moisture as well.

Death-ridge conditions are not that much out of the ordinary; they just came a little earlier this year, and will likely return mid-July, he said.

The week or so of extremely high, near-record breaking temperatures combined with drought conditions during the last half of June were hard on all crops, said Dr. Travis Miller, AgriLife Extension agronomist and Texas

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West Texas Centers wins statewide safety award

Special to the Herald

West Texas Centers employees drive more than 75,000 miles a month in rural West Texas providing care to more than 3,200

Their superior record of safety earned West Texas Centers the Betty Hardwick Excellence in Risk Management Award presented by the Texas Council Risk Management Fund.

"Betty (Hardwick) had a high passion for good risk management and she would be most proud of (West Texas) center for their accomplishment," said Greg Womack, program executive with the Texas Council Risk Management Fund.

The Texas Council Risk Management Fund is a self-insurance pool formed by the Texas Council of Community Centers providing workers' compensation, liability, and property coverage programs

for its member centers. The Texas Council of Community Centers provides an organization through which 39 Community Centers can work together as a public system serving Texans with mental illness, intellectual developmental disabilities and chemical dependency.

Of the 39 community centers, 29 belong to the Texas Council Risk Management Fund, Womack said.

"This award is data driven," Womack said. "It's the top award that the fund presents on an annual basis."

"We look at workers compensation, liability and property loss, claims experience. It's an overall blend of everything that we do within the fund and when we look at all the claims experience it suggests that the center is doing better than any of the other centers when it comes to their claims experience.

"Especially considering the

number of miles they drive, that the center would be on top in respect to overall claims experience the center is to be highly commended for that.'

The award was presented to West Texas Centers CEO Shelley Smith, LMSW, and CFO Guy White during the 28th Annual Texas Council Conference held June 26-28 in Dallas.

"This center is recognized for demonstrating superior safety and loss prevention practices as reflected in its loss record with the workers' compensation, liability, and property programs," Smith said. "I am proud of so many things that our employees do, and this shows that they take safety very seriously."

"It's remarkable that we have had little loss for the amount of driving we do whether it is in our personal vehicles or West Texas Centers vehicles," Smith

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Energy Watch



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We have been talking about taking advantage of pullbacks for at least the last two years. Stocks were volatile in 2011, but ended the year very close to where they began. In 2012, the market offered us two meaningful corrections, but it seemed at the time that stocks were off most investors' radar screens. After the big drop and brutal recession in 2008 and early 2009, equities were widely perceived as dangerous and too risky. Americans feared the stock market.

The S&P 500 Index, after trading down on concerns over the fiscal cliff, hit its low point in November 2012 and from there just took off. The Federal Reserve (Fed) then told investors that it would increase the amount of quantitative easing (QE) by a significant amount. The dark skies started to clear. And then came 2013.

The market kept pushing ahead in spite of the fact that companies were posting disappointing top-line growth numbers. Don't fight the Fed? Most investors were not convinced, but the market traded almost straight up without anything but minor setbacks.

Now everybody was waiting for a pullback. Turn on a financial news channel, and professional money managers were waiting. Talk to clients, and they too were ready to act but most wanted to buy at lower levels. Some investors, fearing they were going to miss more upside, started to jump in and chase the market higher. There are few things that are certain in the stock market, but when you get the combination of everybody waiting for a pullback and some investors starting to chase equities, you are almost guaranteed the market will keep going higher still.

But no market goes straight up forever. The trigger nearly always comes from an unexpected source. We knew the likely problem areas were turmoil in the Middle East, Japan's attempts to re-inflate its economy, and fears that China's growth rate was stalling. Few thought the Fed chairman would throw the market a curve ball by suggesting that the U.S. central bank could be on the verge of reducing the magnitude of QE "later this year." Bang! The one-way market suddenly

had a downside.

And what happened to all of those investors who were desperately waiting for a pullback to get involved? It appears that many took a step back and changed their minds. Was it a good decision? This strategist does not think so. The market has offered few opportunities over the last six months. The economic fundamentals are slowly improving. While we have been of the opinion that the Fed would not begin to "taper" its monthly purchases of Treasuries and mortgage-backed securities until the start of next year, the last thing it wants to do is take its foot off the accelerator.

Look for the Fed to make this clear in coming weeks. The market, in our opinion, has overreacted and created an opportunity. While the correction has not been large — only about seven percent from the mid-May record high — it still warrants putting money to work. Long-term success in the market means taking advantage of opportunities when they occur. This is one of those opportunities. It is time to act. Get off the sidelines and seize the day!

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U.S. economy adds 195K jobs; unemployment 7.6 pct.

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. employers added a robust 195,000 jobs in June and many more in April and May than previously thought. The job growth suggests a stronger economy and makes it more likely the Federal Reserve will slow its bond purchases before year's end.

The unemployment rate remained 7.6 percent because more people started looking for jobs — a healthy sign

— and some didn't find them. The government doesn't count people as unemployed unless they're looking for work.

Still, hiring "continues to look more than strong enough to keep unemployment trending down ... and probably more than strong enough to lead to Fed tapering starting in September," said Jim O'Sullivan, chief U.S. economist at High Frequency Economics.

The Fed's bond purchases have kept borrowing rates low to encourage borrowing and spending. A pullback in its bond buying would likely send

Pay rose sharply last month, the Labor Department's monthly jobs report

Friday showed. Pay has now outpaced inflation over the past year. Stocks opened sharply higher bemidmorning. And the yield on the 10year Treasury note jumped from 2.56 percent to 2.69 percent, its highest level since August 2011. That's a sign that investors think the economy is improving.

The economy has added an average 202,000 jobs a month for the past six months, up from 180,000 in the

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13 percent less cotton acres planted this year, with a lot being replanted with sorghum and alternative crops such as sunflower, sesame and guar," Miller said.

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said. "This speaks to the type of people we have employed across our 23-county region."

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trustees, elected by the community centers. Centers Texas West Trustee Van L. York sits on the Texas Council Risk Management Fund

Board of Trustees.

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Minnie Gonzalez, West Texas Centers Risk Management director. "The award speaks highly of how our Center operates business on a day-to-day basis."

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previous six. Hiring and consumer confidence have risen despite higher taxes and federal spending cuts that kicked in this year.

Friday's report showed the economy added 70,000 more jobs in April and May than the government had previously estimated -50,000 in April and 20,000 in May. Average hourly pay rose 10 cents to \$24.01, 2.2 percent higher than a year ago.

The hotels, restaurants and entertainment industry added 75,000 jobs last month. Retailers added 37,000.

The health care industry added 20,000, construction 13,000. Temporary jobs rose 10,000. But manufacturing shed

6,000.

Many of the new jobs were part time. The number of Americans who said they were working part time but would prefer full-time work jumped 322,000 to 8.2 million — the most in eight months.

unemployment The rate is derived from a survey of households, which found that 177,000 more people started looking for jobs in June. Most found them. The increase suggests that Americans think their prospects have job brightened. But because some of

the job seekers didn't find work right away, the number of unemployed was largely unchanged at 11.8 million. The 195,000 job gain

for June is calculated from a separate survey of employers.

The percentage of Americans either work-

ing or actively searching for work is known as the "labor force participation rate." The participation rate has risen for two straight months to 63.5 percent.

Still, the rate has been declining generally since peaking at 67.3 percent in 2000. That's partly the result of baby boomers retiring and dropping out of the workforce. Despite the solid pace

of hiring in June, the economy is growing only sluggishly. It expanded at a 1.8 percent annual rate in the January-March quarter. Most analysts expect growth at roughly the same subpar rate in the

April-June quarter. Weak economies over-**Copies:** seas cut demand for U.S. .25 per copy exports in May. That led

counties. some economists to predict that growth in the

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By Steve Becker

The Lost Art of Doubling

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South dealer.

Both sides vulnerable

The bidding:
West North East 1 **1 4 2 4 4** Pass Pass Opening lead — king of clubs.

Since the advent in recent years of negative and responsive doubles, doubling the opponents for penalties at low levels of the bidding has become a lost art. This trend has, among other things, encouraged players to enter the bidding with skimpier values than previously

would have been acceptable. At the World Junior Championships in Brazil a few years ago, a case was made for returning to the good old days by a team from Thailand that unexpectedly reached the semifinals in a starting field of 17 teams. The Thais played remarkably simple bidding methods, including old-fashioned penalty doubles of overcalls.

Today's deal, from the Thais' match against Norway, provides a case in point. When a Norwegian pair held the North-South eards, the bidding went as shown. Four spades had no chance as the cards lay and went down two for a loss of 200 points. Although North-South had the requisite number of points to be in game, no game could be made, so this seemed to be a normal result. But when the Thais held the

North-South cards, the bidding went: West South North East Dble All Pass North, holding three virtually certain tricks and shortness in his partner's suit, thought it unlikely that West could make eight tricks if South had a normal opening bid. With no certainty that a game could be made,

he decided to double for penalties. In two clubs, declarer scored only his six club tricks. The defenders collected two diamonds, a heart and a high spade before South exited with a trump. Declarer eventually lost three more spades to finish down two

+500 for Thailand. Combined with the +200 their teammates scored at the other table, this gave the Thais a gain of 12 IMPs on the deal. Tomorrow: Famous Hand.

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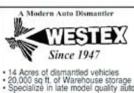
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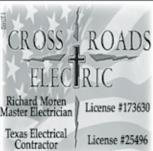
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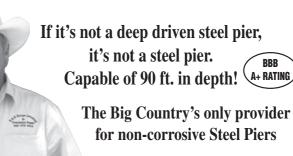
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Now Leasing 1 & 2 Bdrms Pools & covered parking No application fees Senior Discounts 1425 East 6th Street (432)263-6319

Real Estate for Sale

FOR SALE OR LEASE Spacious 2 Story, Just Remodeled. Forsan Schools. Approx. 1920 sq.ft, 3 Bedroom, 2 full baths 8/10 \$135,000.00. Call (432)816-1815.

MUST SELL 2 Duplexes in Big Spring. Selling for \$95,000... Call 432-264-6611.

NO OWNER Finance or Rent to Own. 2 Bedroom, 1 bath, garage and lot next door. Asking price is \$25,000.00 Near College. Price is Negotiable. For more information (432)466-3507.

OWNER FINANCING- Fixer Uppers 1704 State and 1406 Wood. Each one \$25,000.00, with \$2,000.00 Down for \$247.16 per month for 15 years. Call (432)517-2876.

SALE or RENT: Residential or Commercial Building, Oil Field Workers. Big Spring, Tx. Call 432-263-6292.

Vehicles

2001 HARLEY Davidson Ultra Classic, 31k, (Red & Black). \$11,500.00. Call 432-267-7762 leave message

Legals

Notice is hereby given that Laredo Petroleum, Inc., Operator 486610, has filed with the Texas Railroad Commission the following: P-17 application for the exception to SWR 26 and/or 27 to surface commingle production, allocate production and for off-lease storage, from oil and gas leases on Section 214, Block 29, W & NW RR Co Survey, 560.8 Acres being all, Save & Except the W/2 of the NW/4 of Section 215, Block 29, W & NW RR Co Survey, Section 192, Block 29, W & NW RR Co Survey, Section 219, Block 29, W & NW RR Co Survey, Section 191, Block 29, W & NW RR Co Survey all in Glasscock County, Texas under other leases. Any affected mineral interest owners who wish to protest this application must do so by contacting the Texas Railroad Commission, Department, P.O. Box 12987, Austin, TX 78711-2987 within 21 days of this ad. #7835 June 16, 23, 30, 2013 and July 7, 2013

Legals

NOTICE TO BIDDERS BIG SPRING MCMAHON-WRINKLE AIRPORT TxDOT CSJ # 1208BGSPR

"Notice to Bidders" is issued for the construction of airport improvements at the Big Spring McMahon-Wrinkle Airport for: Rehabilitate and strengthen terminal apron & construct concrete section of terminal apron and Runway 17-35 ioint seal repair. Sealed proposals need to be addressed and delivered to Ms. Peggy Walker, City Secretary, 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, TX 79720. Proposals will be received until 10:00AM, July 23, 2013, then publicly opened and read.

Bidders may view and obtain plan sets, free of charge, from Plans

http:// www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/ division/general-services /plans-online.html.

Or bidders may buy plan sets from the Reproduction companies that are listed on the website.

Technical questions concerning the specifications and plans should be directed to Larry Valdez, P.E. with Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., at 806-473-2200. For other information please visit the Aviation web-

http:// www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/ division/aviation/projects.html or call Kelle Chancev. Aviation, at 512-416-4514 #7854 June 30 & July 7, 2013

Legals

Colleen Barton

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Big Spring, Tx 79720 Joshua Hamby P.O. Box 2199 Big Spring, Tx 79721-21 THE STATE OF TEXAS

NOTICE OF DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after this citation was issued, a default judgment may be taken against

To: Caitlin J. Chavez Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being $\underline{\text{Monday}}$ July 15, 2013, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, at 312 Scurry Street in said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 05/28/2013 in the cause #49176.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: In Re: A Child as is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office this 28th day of May, 2013. Colleen Barton

District Clerk of Howard County, Texas

By: Jury Padron #7839 June 23 & 30 and July 7 & 14, 2013

Legals

ADVERTISEMENT

A "Notice to Bidders" is issued for the construction of airport improvements at Big Spring McMahon-Wrinkle Airport for Construction or Installation of Airport Fuel Farm Improvements, under two bid schedules: Bid Schedule No. 1 provides for Fuel Farm Improvements; Bid Schedule No. 2 provides for Fuel Access Paving Improvements. Bidders may bid on one or both schedules. proposals should be addressed and delivered to Ms. Peggy Walker, City Secretary, 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, TX 79720. Proposals will be received until 10:00 AM, Tuesday, July 23, 2013.

Immediately following the closing time for receipt of bids, proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at City Hall. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened. Bids will be tabulated and presented to the Mayor and City Council for action at a later

date. A pre-bid conference will be held at the Airpark Terminal Building at 3200 Rickabaugh Drive West, Big Spring, Texas 79720 on Thursday, July 11, 2013 at 10:00 AM, local time. Attendance by prospective Bidders is not mandatory.

Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file at the Office of the Director of Public Works and the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4222 85th Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79423. Technical questions concerning the plans and specifications may be directed to Larry Valdez, P.E., with Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc. at (806)473-2200.

Copies of the plans, specifications and contract documents may be secured at the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4222 85th Street, Lubbock Texas, 79423 (Phone 806-473-2200) as follows:

1. Download documents (.pdf file extension format) from PSC's Info Exchange web site after registering as a plan holder with issuing PSC office. There is no cost or deposit required for this option.

2. One set of paper copies for a non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 3. A digital copy (.pdf file extension format) upon a non-refundable deposit of \$20.00 per each CD.

Deposit shall be Company check or cashiers' check made payable to Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc. No partial sets will be issued. #7850 June 30 & July 7, 2013

Legals

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION **WELL PERMIT**

Occidental Permian Ltd., P.O. Box 4294, Houston, TX 77210 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres formation, on the Clapton lease, Well No. 1WD. The proposed injection well is located 9.4 miles NW from Big Spring, Texas in the Varel (San Andres) field in Howard County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into the subsurface depth interval of 3650 feet to 4095 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the

Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, 78711. (Telephone Texas (512)463-6792). #7864 July 7, 2013

Annie's Mailbox ®

Dear Annie: My motherin-law and her husband moved in with us 10 years ago. They even built an addition onto our house, from which we will gain financially if we ever sell it. During this time, I've enjoyed Mom's help with our two kids and the freedom it gives my husband and me. We enjoy childfree vacations every year and go out to dinner without the kids four times a week. My motherin-law takes care of all the childcare in our home. My husband and I rarely do any parenting except to enjoy our time with the kids and bask in all the extra achievements they have gained as a result of having four loving parents.

The problem is that my husband has two siblings, and my mother-in-law has never done anything for them. She has never even

babysat her other grandchildren. She hardly knows the youngest in the family, and I am now ashamed that I have monopolized her time and love. I feel terrible when I'm with my sisters-in-law. I have gained so much while they have had to pay for childcare all these years and struggle through the typical childhood problems without assistance. Their children barely know their Grandma.

What can I do about it now? I want to express my feelings to my sisters-inlaw, but I am not sure what to say. I feel terrible around them. Please help. — Monica

Dear Monica: Chances are, your sisters-in-law have a relationship with Mom that is more complicated than yours.

Legals

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL PERMIT NUMBER 5301

APPLICATION WTG Gas Processing, L.P. has applied to the Commission on Environ-Texas mental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 5301, which would authorize continued operation of the East Vealmoor Gas Plant located in Coahoma, Howard County, Texas 79511. The applicant has provided the following driving directions: From Big Spring at I-20 and Texas 350, go 24 miles east on TX 350 to Vincent, then 8 miles west on FM 846. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application.

http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/ public/hb610/index.html?lat= 32.494444&lng=-101.352222 &zoom=13&type=r.

The existing facility is authorized to emit the following nitrogen oxides, contaminants: carbon monoxide, organic compounds, sulfur dioxide, hydrogen sulfide, and particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on June 12, 2013. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ TČEQ Midland central office, regional office, and the Howard County Library, 500 South Main Street, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Midland regional office of the TCEQ.

director has The executive determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. Information in the application indicates that this permit renewal would not result in an increase in allowable emissions and would not result in the emission of an air contaminant not previously emitted. The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

PUBLIC COMMENT You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process. After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the applica-

contested case hearing. OPPORTUNITY FOR A CON-TESTED CASE HEARING You request contested may а case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. According to the

tion, will then be mailed to

everyone who submitted public

comments or who is on the mailing

list for this application, unless the

application is directly referred to a

Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, must submit the vou following: (1) your name (or for group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected the application air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of

the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding. MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application. AGENCY CONTACTS AND **INFORMATION** Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at

www.tceq.texas.gov/about/ comments.html.

or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from WTG Gas Processing, L.P., 211 North Colorado Street, Midland, Texas 79701-4607 or by calling Ms. Elena Hofmann, Environmental Operational Solutions LLC at (713)983-0112. Notice Issuance Date: June 20, 2013 #7843 July 7, 2013

They may not get along as well. Or they may wish she were closer to their children, but might not be interested in having Mom and her husband live with them.

It's OK to tell them that you wish Mom spent more time with their kids and ask what you can do about it. But also encourage Mom to see her other grandchildren more often. Invite the families to your home (but do not expect Mom to babysit all those children). You are in a position to facilitate a better relationship. We hope everyone will

Dear Annie: I heard that my cousin's daughter is giving a surprise baby shower for her sister. This is the girl's second child. She had a baby shower for the first one two years ago.

cooperate.

Since when is it appropriate to have a baby shower for the second child? Am I out of touch?

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SALE OF VEHICLES Howard County Appraisal District, 315 S. Main Street, Big Spring, Texas will accept sealed Bid proposals for the sale of one 2003 Chevrolet Silverado, 2 door Extended cab pickup. The odometer mileage reads 70,408. Bids will be accepted until 5:00 P.M. Tuesday, August 13th, 2013. Bids will be opened at the Howard County Appraisal District Board of Directors regular meeting Wednesday, August 14, 2013. The vehicle will be sold "as is" without any warranty. The vehicle can be seen at 315 S. Main Street weekdays between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

you desire to bid on this vehicle, please send a sealed bid with the envelope clearly marker "BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF VEHICLE". Any bid received without being clearly marked will be rejected.

Address your bid to: Howard County Appraisal District P.O. Drawer 1151 Big Spring, TX 79721-1151 Or bring it by 315 S. Main Street, Big Spring, Texas. COUNTY AP-THE HOWARD PRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY BID. #7863 July 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 2013

Legals

Notice to Creditors Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Boby Jack Barnes, Deceased, were issued on June 26, 2013, under Docket No. 14171, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to Nina F. Barnes. Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the estate, addressed as follows: Nina F. Barnes

Estate of Boby Jack Barnes, Deceased C/O Walter L. Shipman. Attorney at Law 309 South Main St., Suite 5 Big Spring, TX 79720 All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated: July 1, 2013

Walter L. Shipman, Attorney at Law By /s/ Walter L. Shipman 309 South Main St., Suite 5 Big Spring, TX 79720 (432)264-6660 (telephone) (432)264-9599 (facsimile) Attorney for Nina F. Barnes, Independent Executor State Bar No. 18269900 #7861 July 7, 2013

Legals

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS The Big Spring Independent School District shall receive sealed bid proposals for the following

Career & Technical Education--Supplies & Equipment Supplemental Instructional-Supplies & Equipment These bids will form a multi-vendor

list for instructional personnel to

secure supplies, equipment, and contracted services. Specifications and bid documents may be secured from the school district's Business Office, 708 East 11th Big Place, Spring, Texas 79720-4648, phone number (432)264-3620, or from the diswebsite, trict's www.bigspringisd.net. The school district will begin opening bids on July 10, 2013, in the Business Office of the Big Spring Independent School District. The Business Office will continue to receive and open bids through 4:00 p.m., July 31, 2013. All bids must be received by 4:00 p.m., July 31, 2013. Bids will be presented for consideration to the Board of Trustees on August 8, 2013, at 5:15 p.m. at their regularly scheduled board meeting. The Big Spring Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. #7851 June 30 & July 7, 2013

This simply sounds like a way to get more gifts. I also heard that the shower will be in a restaurant and guests have to pay their own bill.

I haven't seen these cousins in more than a year. What should I do? — *Kentucky*

Dear Kentucky: Baby showers are to help a new parent have clothing, diapers and other necessities for the child. It is assumed that a second child can use the gifts the first child received, so a second baby shower becomes a burden on the guests. (And we won't get into the impropriety of giving a shower for one's sister.)

A second shower is considered OK, however, if the parents have moved to another city with different friends or if the births are so far apart that the parents have given away the baby things belonging to the older sibling. Nonetheless, if your cousin's daughter is going ahead with this, your choice is simply whether or not to attend.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar. longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please email your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 737 3rd Street, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254. © 2013 CREATORS.COM

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PUBLIC SERVICE **ANNOUNCEMENT PUBLIC HUNTING ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS** AT O. H. IVIE RESERVOIR

Application for public hunting permits on the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Wildlife Management Areas will be accepted by mail only beginning July 15, 2013 and ending August 15, 2013, at the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Field Office.

Hunting Permits will be limited, and requests for information and application packets should be made by calling the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) at 432-267-6341, or by writing to: CRMWD

ATTN: Public Hunting P.O. Box 869 Big Spring, Texas 79721 www.crmwd.org/naturalresources A public drawing for the WMA Public Hunting Permits for the 2012 Hunting Season, will be held at 1:00 p.m. on August 23, 2013, at the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Field Office, located near the north end of the dam. All applicants are welcome to attend the drawing, if they desire.

Legals

Colleen Barton 312 Scurry Big Spring, Texas 79720 Clint W. Chase 5450 Nw Centeral Drive,

#7860 July 7 & 14, 2013

Houston, Texas 77092 THE STATE OF TEXAS NOTICE OF DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after this citation was issued, a default judgment may be taken against you."

To: All known and Unknown Heirs of Lynda L. Proffitt Defendant, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to

appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday June 17th, 2013, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, at 312 Scurry Street in said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 05/14/2012 in the entitled cause OCWEN LOAN SERVICING LLC AS SERVICING AGENT FOR U.S. BANK N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR SALOMAN BROTHERS MORTGAGE SECURITIES VII, INC. ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES SERIES 1998-NC3 vs. DANIEL BLAKE PROFFITT AND LYNDA L. PROFFITT AND THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LYNDA L. PROFFITT, DECEASED

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Ocwen Loan Servicing LLC as servicing Agent For US Bank N.A., as Trustee For Salmon Brothers Mortgage Securities VII, Inc. Asset-Backed Certificates Series 1998-NC3 vs. Daniel Blake Profitt and Lynda Profitt and the Known and Unknown Heirs of Lynda L. Profitt, Deceased Re: 707 West 18th Street Big Spring, Texas 79720 is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit cause number 48499.

Issued and given under my hand seal of said court at office this 3rd day of May, 2013.

COLLEÉN BARTON District Clerk of Howard County, Texas

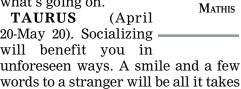
By Jury Padron #7849 June 28, 2013 and July 7, 14 & 21, 2013

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Cancer New Moon Eve

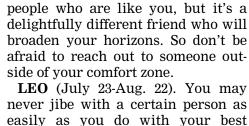
The eve of the new moon warrants a you-to-you meeting. The agenda should include a review of what did and didn't work over the past four weeks. (With Mercury retrograde, we've been thinking about this anyway, so there are probably a few standout examples.) Set new goals. Tomorrow is an ideal start date.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Someone has to be looking out for the group, and that someone is you today. Luckily, you have experience with controlled chaos. You know how to have fun and still stay aware of exactly what's going on.



words to a stranger will be all it takes to spark conversation. Listen to someone's experiences. There's something key for you in the exchange. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Everyone

deals with stress differently. Your way today is to reframe the stressful event, naming it "an adventure" or "an opportunity." Hang on tight, and ride the ups and downs of this roller coaster of a day.



never jibe with a certain person as easily as you do with your best friends, but you can still have pleasant interactions. All it takes is one simple compromise to turn a relationship around. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). A deep,

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It's only

natural to want to spend time with

forgotten wound is still a wound. However, its pain may never have been felt, so it arranges scenarios in which new pain is a possibility. You'll end the cycle when you seek healing for this long-ago hurt.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Though you continue to deliver with star quality, the attention will be diverted from you now. It's likely that you'll find this to be a pleasant change and a chance to relax. It's not easy to always be "on."

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Consider your options carefully. One possible course of action will be easier for vou, but it will displease a friend. Avoid that one. It's so not worth the avalanche of a reaction likely to follow.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).

Soon you'll steal the show, but you're not quite ready to break out and do things on your own yet. For now, you'll learn by being a quiet observer and listener extraordinaire.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It's hard to try out a new approach (or perhaps a new personality) when you're among people who know you well. Groups of strangers offer exciting possibilities for personal change.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Today's events will require your patience and fortitude. Go to bed early because this challenging tone continues through tomorrow. If you're rested and at your best, you'll figure out how to benefit from the situation.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Travel will inspire you. But if you can't get away, reading, viewing media and talking with people who've lived in different places are forms of travel that will work almost as well. TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 7).

Obey your gut feelings, especially when they come in the form of red flags. Healthy relationships form when you start out attracted to each other and keep finding more reasons to be attracted the deeper you go. This month highlights

love. August brings a lifestyle upgrade. In September, you'll sign a contract — be sure first!

Aquarius and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 30, 22, 14 and 4.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: In a typical week, multitalented Beatles drummer Ringo Starr tours the world with his All Starr band, puts together photography books and saves the rhinos. This Cancer star was born when Venus was in sociable, witty Gemini and four other luminaries were in entertaining Leo. Three planets in Taurus suggests stamina, determina-

tion and longevity.

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energy efficiency, said Solar Impulse CEO Andre Borschberg, the plane's other pilot.

Parts of its wings are three times lighter than paper. Its one-person cockpit is beyond tiny. Borschberg lowers himself gingerly into it for a television camera, grimaces, and practically wears the plane it is so snug on him.

Most of the 11,000 solar cells are on the superlong wings that seem to stretch as far as a jumbo jet's. It weighs about the size of a small car, and soars at 30.000 feet with what is essentially the power of a small motorized scooter. When it landed at Dulles International Airport in suburban Washington after midnight on June 15, its wings were lit with 16 LED lights that used less power than

"We can use much less energy than we use today without the sacrifice," Borschberg said. "And that's really important."

People won't sacrifice

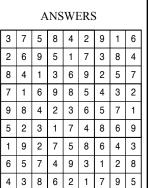
two 100-watt bulbs.

to save energy or the planet, but if they are smart they don't have to, Borschberg said. That's why he and Piccard pointedly talk about "clean technologies" not "green technologies." They think "green" has the image of sacrifice.

The only sacrifice with the plane is staying up in the air alone for 20 hours in such a small space.

And even then, the two pilots don't call it a sacrifice. Borschberg said after a while it feels homey and enveloping and it's hard to get out of the cocoon. Sitting for eight hours in an econo-

sudoku



my class seat on a commercial airplane is cramped; doing what you love by sitting three times longer in this plane isn't, Piccard added.

HOLIDAY

MATHIS

The flights are long because here's another thing about Solar Impulse: It's slow. Its cruising speed of just under 45 mph would get them honked at on an highway.

So that has meant a lot of 4 a.m. take-offs in the dark and landings well after midnight. But Borschberg, who will pilot the last leg from Washington to New York, is hoping for a daylight approach to New York City so he can get a photo opportunity with the Statue of Liberty.

Borschberg Piccard both say this is not about clean-energy planes for the future. What they're doing is more likely to improve energy efficiency on the ground, in cars and homes, agrees U.S. **Energy Secretary Ernest** Moniz who met with the pair to talk up future energy a couple days after they landed at

Still, questions of practicality come up.

"It's clearly a stunt," said John Reilly, codirector of MIT's Joint Program on the Science and Policy of Global Change. "And it's clearly an attention-grabbing stunt. The idea that you could fly an airplane powered by the sun is kind of hard to believe. So doing it is an impressive stunt, I suppose."

But these types of gimmicks do pay off at times, Reilly said.

It will pay off more than promoting solar and other renewable energy technologies as economic stimulus, which is what happened four years ago, said University of Colorado science policy professor Roger Pielke Jr. He compared it to giant prizes that encourage private companies to go into space or build robotdriven cars, which are proving successful.

"I don't think it's just a stunt," Pielke said. "The idea is that you're pushing boundaries and you're putting on shows for people and achieving milestones." This, Pielke said, is

"an essential part of technological innovation. It gives people an opportunity to attempt what previously was thought of as impossible."

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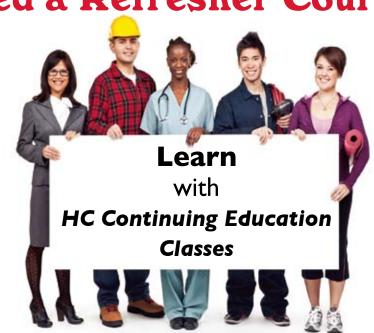
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